

REMARKS

This communication is in regards to the Office Action of June 5, 2006. Claims 1, 6, 7, 9, and 10 were amended. Claim 5 was cancelled. Claims 1-4 and 6-13 are pending. Claims 14-24 were previously withdrawn from consideration.

The Examiner issued a claim objection in section 2 of the Office Action without specifying which claims the objections apply to. The Examiner has, however, cited a requirement that "A claim which depends from a dependent claim should not be separated by any claim which does not also depend from said dependent claim." It is Applicant's understanding that the Examiner is objecting to the ordering of claims 8, 9, and 10 in which claim 10 depended from claim 8 with claim 9 not being dependent from claim 8. Applicant has therefore amended claims 9 and 10 to transpose the order of claims 9 and 10.

Claims 5-7 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. The Examiner is thanked for identifying that claims 5-7 contain allowable subject matter. Applicant has amended claim 1 to include the limitation of claim 5. Claims 6-7 were amended to be dependent from claim 1. Since all of the pending claims are dependent from amended claim 1, it is respectfully submitted that all of the pending claims are now in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if there are any residual issues that can be resolved through a telephone call.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees to Deposit Account No. 03-3117.

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